

1 Choose the correct alternative: A or B.

1 I've    to give up my Saturday job – I don't enjoy it.  
A been deciding      B decided

2 She's really hot because she's    tennis all afternoon.  
A been playing      B played

3 Sorry I'm late – have you    long?  
A been waiting      B waited



4 I can't put this novel down – I've    it all day!  
A been reading      B read

5 'How long have you    the piano?' 'About three years.'  
A been learning      B learned

6 I feel bad – I haven't    with Lena since she  
moved away.  
A been keeping in touch      B kept in touch

2 Tick (✓) the sentences that are correct and correct the ones that are wrong.

1 Pablo has missed the bus, so he'll be late for football  
training.

2 I've tried to call Megan all afternoon, but there is no  
reply.

3 They're really tired because they've been working  
hard all day.

4 I've seen that film already, but I don't mind going to  
see it again.

5 Lucy met Eva on their first day at school, so she's been  
knowing her for ten years.

6 Something smells good – have you cooked?

7 Leyla hasn't had her new phone long, and she's still  
getting used to it.

8 Where is Jan? I haven't been seeing him all day.

3 Complete the dialogues with the present perfect simple or  
present perfect continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

1 A Has Liam been in touch with you?  
B No, and I    (try) to contact him all afternoon.  
A I hope he remembers to come to band practice tonight.  
B I    (remind) him three times this week  
already.

2 A Did you decide on the subject of your project?  
B Yes, and I    (write) it all week.  
A And have you finished it?  
B Yes, but I    (not send) it to my teacher yet.

3 A Are you enjoying the film?  
B To be honest, I    (not watch) it.  
A Why not?  
B Because I    (see) it before. I realised that  
after two minutes.

4 Write complete sentences using the present perfect simple  
or present perfect continuous.

1 I / come / to this gym / for over a year.  
I've been coming to this gym for over a year.

1 I / catch up / with my friends online / all evening.

2 How long / you / know / Sami and Milo?

3 My dad / not see / any of the *Star Wars* movies.

4 Where have you been? I / try / to call you / for ages.

5 I / not be / in touch with Leila / since the weekend.

6 I / meet / her brother. / He's really nice.

5 Complete the blog post with the present perfect simple or  
present perfect continuous form of the verbs below.

already take be (x2) explore get go training  
join just move look for not do not keep  
not make pass rain spend try

New post

Hi everyone,

So, it <sup>1</sup>    two months since we moved to Scotland. I know I <sup>2</sup>    in touch with everyone. Sorry about that – I <sup>3</sup>    so busy over the last few weeks. We <sup>4</sup>    into our new house. It's really nice. I <sup>5</sup>    not to fall out with my sister over who's got the best room! School started last week and I <sup>6</sup>    my first exam. It was OK – I think I <sup>7</sup>    it. We get a lot of homework, so I <sup>8</sup>    a lot of time in the evenings studying. Socially, I <sup>9</sup>    to know a few people, but I <sup>10</sup>    any close friends yet. I <sup>11</sup>    much running recently – the weather isn't so good. It's cold, and I think it <sup>12</sup>    every day since we got here. But I <sup>13</sup>    a local football club and I <sup>14</sup>    with them a couple of nights a week since the beginning of the year. At the weekends, I <sup>15</sup>    the city. It's really interesting, with some great shops. Also, I'm saving up to buy a new guitar, so I <sup>16</sup>    for a Saturday job, but I haven't found one yet. I really want to hear your news, so please leave a comment.

6 Complete the sentences so they are true for you. Write two  
sentences in the present perfect simple and two sentences  
in the present perfect continuous.

1 In the past year I have   

2 Recently I have   

3 Since I started school I have   

4 I have just